

Mansfield Parks Advisory Committee
Minutes of April 2, 2008
Acting Secretary Ethan Avery

Present: Penny Potter, Cindy Weiss, Jean Haskell, Sue and Tom Harrington, Ethan Avery, and Jennifer Kaufman

The meeting was called to order at 7:35PM

The Minutes of the February 6, 2008 meeting were approved with no changes.

New Business

Comments on Dodd Rd. development. Lots #4,5,6 will affect existing trails, lots #2,3,4 will affect Chaplin Pond. Parcel A is not useful, Parcel B should be wider and Parcel C isn't useful as a park.

Wormwood, Knowlton Hill Rd. Comments: We support a corridor across the northeast part of the property.

Continuing business

White Oak Rd Update: Jen met with representatives from other committees. The next step is a formal proposal. On hold until proposal.

The septic system is needed.

PAC memberships: Michelle is going to join soon.

PAC Reports

Management Plan Reviews: Sawmill Brook Park- not going to happen at least until school is out

Park Updates: Gravel needs to be moved at Merrow Meadow Park, and the bridge across a stream in Dunhamtown forest needs repairs

FOMP upcoming Projects: The Mother's Day Bird and Breakfast is coming up in May and the June Trail Day is at Fifty Foot Cliff Park

PAC Projects

a. Nature Center-Sue has been working with Goodwin and Southeast and said things were moving ahead

b. Management plans

Schoolhouse- work is being down

Dunhamtown- Jen and Ethan are working on it

Staff Report

a. Budget Update- There have been cuts but the parks improvement budget has been increased

b. WHIP Project Update- The project is fully funded with \$26,000 total WHIP cost share monies available for 2008

c. Land Management Committee- nothing mentioned

d. NAV workday schedule- Next days are on 4/12/08 and 4/19/08

e. Other

Fish kills in small pond comments brought up,
Walktober to be decided

Non PAC Reports: Minutes of other committees reviewed

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00PM

Future Meetings.....June 4, 2008 will begin at 7:30PM Julliana Barrett will be acting secretary

Respectfully submitted, Ethan Avery, Acting Secretary